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JCFN Receives National Award for Advancing Minority Mental Health

Memphis, TN —March 31, 2014 Just Care Family Network is very pleased to announce that we have been selected to receive an [*American Psychiatric Foundation Award for Advancing Minority Mental Health for 2014*](#). This award was established to recognize mental health professionals and mental health programs that are undertaking special efforts to increase public awareness of and secure quality and comprehensive mental healthcare for underserved minorities.

“Just Care Family Network is honored to have been named recipient of the American Psychiatric Foundation Advancing Minority Mental Health Award for 2014. We are pleased to join the ranks of other recipients across the nation and proud of the work that Just Care Family Network has done to warrant this honor. As director of this program, I witness on a daily basis the strength and resilience in our youth and families and the pride and passion for this work by the hardworking staff. We thank Shelby County government and the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for their support of the program, as well as our 31 community partner organizations, and of course the youth and families of Just Care Family Network. This award is concrete evidence of the value of the work we are doing and is now part of the national effort on behalf of improving the quality of life for the population we serve here in Shelby County. I am personally honored and humbled to be a part of this initiative and know that we have created something that will benefit the community for years to come,” expressed Dr. Altha Stewart, JCFN Executive Director.

Presentation of this award, including a check for \$5,000, will be made during the Foundation’s benefit on Saturday, May 3, 2014. Just Care Family Network will travel to New York City, New York with staff and families to accept the award.

A department of Shelby County’s Division of Community Services, Just Care Family Network is a federally funded grant program through the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration, administered by the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. Learn more [here](#).
